

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/977,375

Applicant(s)

ONO ET AL.

Examiner

Sara W. Crane

Art Unit

2811

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Sara W. Crane.

(3) Robert Goozner, for Applicant.

(2) Junghwa Im.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 15 January 2003.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: of record.

Identification of prior art discussed: of record.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

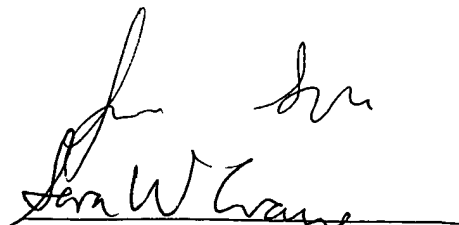
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: We discussed the buffer layers of Mishima et al., which include In. Applicant proposes that claim 4, which specifies a buffer layer that does not include In, could be combined with the independent claims (1 and 2) to overcome the Mishima reference. Examiner agrees that the buffer layer of claim 4 would not include In, and would overcome the rejection based on the reference teaching of a buffer layer that does include In.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required